

Senate District J

Gretchen G. Guess, Democrat



DATE OF BIRTH: September 5, 1969
PLACE OF BIRTH: Anchorage, Alaska
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OCCUPATION: Business Analyst, Alaska
Communication Systems; State
Representative, House District 16,
Alaska State Legislature

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: Lifelong Alaskan

EDUCATION:
Steller Secondary School, Diploma; Carleton College, B.A.,
Economics; University of Rochester, M.S. Public Policy Analysis,
magna cum laude.

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:
Alaska State Representative, House District 16; Federal Liaison,
Alaska Department of Education and Early Development.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:
Business Analyst, Alaska Communications System, present;
Consultant, RAND Corporation; Member, Systems Research
and Applications.

SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:

Board Member, Standing Together Against Rape; Member,
Senior Warden's Committee, Saint Mary's Church; Volunteer,
Latino Lions Food Distribution; Active Member, Russian Jack
Community Council; Captain; Civil Air Patrol.

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Volunteering, cooking, sports, gardening, reading, family, and
friends.

STATEMENT:

The reason I am running is simple: I love representing and living
in East Anchorage; I believe in its people, Alaska and our future;
and I want to protect and improve our neighborhoods and state.

As a House member, I worked with both Democrats and
Republicans on the following.

Providing Quality Education for *all* Children

I introduced bills to inflation proof our education funding and
increase the funding required to our classrooms while continuing
a strong accountability system.

Ensuring Safe Neighborhoods

I introduced bills holding nuisance properties accountable and
ensuring the clean up of drug labs. I slowed down neighborhood
speeding by getting stop signs and temporary speed bumps.

Create Jobs that Support Families

I worked to ensure development of our natural resources. I
supported increasing and inflation proofing the minimum wage. I
was a bipartisan fiscal policy caucus member, creating a stable
fiscal plan.

Improve Budget Discipline

I sat on the information technology finance committee to use
technology to improve state services. I support reducing the
session lengths.

Respect our Veterans and Military

I fought for the bills honoring the Year of the Veteran. I supported
fully funding a Veterans home.

I am proud of my accomplishments the last two years. I want to
continue working on these issues in a bi-partisan manner.

Public service is about honesty, hard work and a genuine concern
for Alaska's people. These values guided me in the State House,
and they will guide me in the State Senate.

I would appreciate your vote.

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